

Hit Waters of Deer Creek April 14th

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If you thought you still had several weeks to get ready to go fishing, you will be surprised to learn that the Division of Wildlife is opening four waters in the state early. It was announced last week that Deer Creek, Otter Creek, Minersville, and Baker Reservoirs will open for general fishing on April 14.

I was excited to learn that Deer Creek was one of the locations that was selected for the early opening. Deer Creek was one of the locations that was selected for the early opening. Deer Creek has been open all winter for the taking of perch and walleye. Hundreds of fishermen have tried their luck on the ice and found success. When Saturday the 14th rolls around, you can also go after trout and bass. The limits will be the usual eight fish for trout and six fish for bass.

Charles Thompson, Fisheries manager for the DWR Central Region, said that he expects the opening to be good. Last year the Division planted 167,000 trout in

the lake. This year they have already been planting seven-inch catchable rainbows as well as some large spawners. Those catchables along with the holdover trout should provide a lot of fishing fun.

The ice on Deer Creek is rapidly melting. There is open water in the Charleston area and the fishing there has been good. Frank Hill, owner of the Charleston Bridge Boat Ramp, told me they had caught and returned many trout while fishing for the perch. The DWR has been stocking the Charleston Bay area be-

cause it is free of ice. Frank also reported that he has acquired many additional boats for rental and that his boat ramp would be open and ready on the 14th.

DWR Fisheries Chief Bill Greer says the early opener is part of an effort to maximize fishing opportunities for Utah anglers. It is part of a statewide effort to provide more year-round angling recreation for license buyers. Along the line of more opportunities, keep an eye open for next year's fishing proclamation. It should have some interesting developments.

Ferguson raps river users for failing to let water from bloated Deer Creek

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By Kris Radish

Deseret News staff writer

PROVO — Mayor Jim Ferguson said unless water is released from Deer Creek Reservoir soon, flooding along the Provo River will be severe.

Ferguson said he is angry that the Provo River Water Users Association won't respond to repeated requests from "everybody but President Reagan" to start releasing water.

The water users control the flow of water from the reservoir.

"Senators and congressmen have written letters, we have written letters and we still get no response from them," said Ferguson. "About the only one who hasn't contacted them is President Reagan."

Ferguson said there is no doubt in his mind that the reservoir will fill up, and that there is no reason not to begin releasing water.

"Runoff hasn't even started and the reservoir is very close to being full," said Ferguson. "I don't believe that

the reservoir won't fill up."

He said the water users have told him the reason they won't release water is because there is no guarantee that the reservoir will fill.

Hugh McKellar, spokesman for the water users, said he has one idea about the problem and Ferguson has another.

"There is information on both sides of this," said McKellar. "But I would rather not have this issue tried in the press, so it's best not to make any more comments."

Ferguson said even though city crews have been working for months to prepare for potential flooding along the Provo River, there is no way to prevent major damage if water is released from the reservoir all at once.

"The damage could be major and severe," he said. "If we could get water released now it would cut down on the flow from the reservoir when major runoff begins."

"We are frustrated and angered that we haven't been able to get cooperation," said Ferguson. "There isn't much else we can do."

Jackson, Alabama, 350 students prayed for their lives.

How dare they pray in school? How dare they appeal to a higher law than the Supreme Court? How dare they believe their maker could hear the pleadings of those with so many different beliefs?

Were there atheists among them? If so, how did they dare to stay in the same room with praying Christians and Jews?

Ah, well, it's a good thing they did. A tornado demolished all of the other rooms. Only the gym was left intact where the 350 students held hands and prayed.

And they dared to call it a miracle.

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2. In the Granite District, most of the schools do not meet fire codes. Even most of the elementary schools built in the last five years do not have smoke or heat detectors in them. This is required in state codes for a Class Two fire alarm system.

3. Too much money is spent on administrators, most of whom do nothing but supervise other administrators. In the time it has taken Granite District to double enrollment, the number of administrators has increased four times.

4. Too much money is spent on garbage that adds nothing to the quality of our children's education. Granite School District is currently having a private company hook up cable TV to all district schools. S. Nielson
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Deer Creek State Park Plan

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Public Scrutiny

When was the last time you had your say on how a state park is run? Well, now's your chance. The Board of State Parks and Recreation recently adopted a public involvement policy to help guide planners when developing management plans for Utah's state parks. This policy provides that all future state park management plans be submitted for review and input by the public.

Recreationists who want their say on what goes into the Deer Creek State Park General Management Plan are invited to meet Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wasatch Mountain State Park visitor center, Midway, Wasatch County.

The Deer Creek State Park General Management Plan, developed by Division of Parks and Recreation planners, suggests a number of revisions to the current

park management plan. Recreationists are urged to attend this public meeting to be briefed on the plan. This meeting will be the final stage in the planning process before the General Management Plan is presented to the board for review and adoption.

The Deer Creek State Park General Management Plan will address the purpose of the park, plan goals, development zones, phase development, visitor profile, carrying capacity, topography, surrounding resources, land ownership, access, climate, water and dam management, park management, and visitor management.

Persons wishing to review the proposed master plan may contact the Utah Division of Parks and Recreation, 1636 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 or by calling 533-6011.



Wallsburg Bay, now Snow's Marina, will undergo large changes by the State Park Division under the new management plan. The Plan calls for added forest vegetation, and more camping facilities. It also requires stricter camping requirements.

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